

**EAST PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL FEBRUARY 22, 2016 7 PM 85 N. MARKET ST.**

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order, present was Atty. Beagle, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Elzer, Mr. Todd, Mr. Tyger and Mr. Walker. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Law Director Dave Powers, Finance Director Traci Thompson and Clerk Misti Martin. The minutes of the February 8 2016 Development Committee were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Cohen. The Regular meeting minutes of February 8 were approved on a motion by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Elzer, all in favor. There were no department reports, agenda items, or clerks report.

**MAYOR:** Mayor Zuch stated she and Manager Monteleone judged the middle school spelling bee again this year.

**MANAGER:** Manager Monteleone stated he had given Council the Annual Report for 2015. He said that Covelli Enterprises donated \$1,400.00 to the Village for the purchase of new banners for the downtown area and he asked that council contact him with ideas for the new banners. He said there are a few issues with a dam inspection report with a few repairs that will need to be made and he will keep everyone notified of what needs done. He said the Sumner Street Bridge repair had started today at a cost of around \$25,000.00 instead of \$315,000.00. He said he had the Street Department remove the snow from the downtown area on Thursday night.

**LAW DIRECTOR: NO REPORT**

**STREET: NO REPORT**

**S/P/R/C:** Mr. Cohen said the Village is now accepting applications for seasonal part time life guards and park crew that are due by March 25. Mr. Cohen asked if Council was ok with the current prices at the park/pool (if they need changed it will take an ordinance with three readings). Monteleone said he felt they were fine. Monteleone thanked Dot Herbert for taking care of the applications at the High School.

**DEVELOPMENT:** Mr. Elzer stated that we have 3 5-K races in town, our Street Fair and 4<sup>th</sup> of July are second to none, we have 5 parades, the park and pool have set records, according to the annual report we planted twenty 20 ft trees this year, the cemetery is beautiful, we are undertaking the repair of our 100 year old water system, we have the only K9 unit in Northern Columbiana County, the Fire Department has new equipment, our building permits were valued at over two million dollars this year and in reading the financial report Manager Monteleone saved over \$100,000.00 last year and brought in \$150,000.00 extra. He said we should be very proud. Monteleone said he passes that thanks to the department heads and the workers here.

**UTILITY:** Mr. Todd stated he will ask for an executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss personnel in the water and sewer department.

**FINANCE: NO REPORT**

**THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION**

**VISITORS:** Mary Anne Tyger, Dianna Elzer, Kent Chapman, John & Dot Herbert, Dan Scott, John Davis, John Martin, Chief Josh Brown, Terri Ward, Mary Beth DiCello, Don Johnson, Katie White.

**LEGISLATION:** Atty. Beagle made a motion to amend the agenda to add Ord. 5-2016 (2016 paving), seconded by Mr. Cohen. All in favor. Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 1-2016 for a third reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the advertising of bids for the sale of two snow plow trucks owned by the Village of East Palestine in conformity with Ohio Revised Code 721.15.** Atty. Beagle called for a vote on Ord. 1-2016. Atty. Beagle-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Elzer-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Tyger-y, Mr. Walker-y. Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 2-2016 for a second reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the Municipal manager to enter into a financing agreement**

with Tax Exempt Leasing Corp and authorizing him to execute on behalf of the Village all finance documents as required by Tax Exempt Leasing Corp to secure financing in the principle amount of \$94691.00 with interest at the rate of 2.84% per annum, for the purchase of a model 430f2 backhoe loader. Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 3-2016 for a second reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the village manager to enter into a contract with Ohio Cat for the purchase of a model 430f2 hrc backhoe loader.** Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 4-2016 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance amending chapter 248.03 of the codified ordinances of the Municipality of Ohio to reflect a new rate structure for building permits.** Atty Beagle introduced Ord. 5-2016 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the municipal manager to advertise for bids for the planning, repair and repaving of East North Avenue, West North Avenue and West North Avenue Circle, together known as the 2016 street resurfacing project, and to further award and enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder, pursuant to the specifications and bidding requirements, as determined by the municipal manager and in compliance with law.** Atty. Beagle introduced Res. 3-2016 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **A resolution authorizing the village manager to enter into an amended contract with David P. Powers, as the law director for the Village of East Palestine, Ohio and establishing the compensation thereof for a period from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. The amended contract shall be effective April 1, 2016.** Atty. Beagle called for a vote on Res. 3-2016. Mr. Elzer-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Tyger-y, Mr. Walker-y, Atty. Beagle-y. Mr. Todd made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel in the water & sewer department seconded by Mr. Cohen.

**ADJOURN:** Atty. Beagle made a motion to return to regular session. Mr. Walker then made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Cohen. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

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MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK

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MAYOR MARGO ZUCH